Catholic Parishes of Millbury
Saint Brigid and Our Lady of the Assumption

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THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF MILLBURY
SAINT BRIGID AND OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Parish Office

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WWW.ASSUMPTIONSCHOOLMILLBURY.ORG
Julie Olson
Principal

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774-262-5506

Mass Times

St. Brigid Church
59 Main Street
Saturday: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 7:00 AM and 11:00 AM

Assumption Church
10 Waters Street
Sunday: 9:00 AM

Weekday Mass Times

Monday & Thursday
9:00AM

Tuesday & Wednesday
7:00AM

All at Assumption Church

Parish Staff

Clergy

Rev. Daniel R. Mulcahy, Jr.
Pastor

Rev. Mr. Ronald B. Buron
Deacon
Facilities
Safe Environment

Administration

Monica Hamilton
Office Administrator

Ronald Marlborough
Buildings and Grounds

Pastoral Associates

Sister Jeanne Richard, S.A.S.V.
Pastoral Care Ministry Emerita

Gregory Bernard
Adolescent & Young Adult Faith Formation
Youth Ministry
Communications

Deborah R. Blicharz
Children's Faith Formation
Community Life and Outreach

Claudette Belair
Music Ministry

Sacraments

Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated each month. To prepare for your child's Baptism, parents will attend a preparational session. For more information, or to make arrangements, please call the parish office.

Penance and Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:00 PM to 3:45 PM
or anytime upon request.

Marriage

Please call the parish office at least one year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick and Communion Calls

Please call the office when a parishioner is confined at home, is in the hospital, or placed in a nursing home or hospice. Holy Communion is brought to shut-ins upon request.

Sat., November 7

4:00 PM **Thomas and Josephine Hamilton**
By: The Family

Sun., November 8

7:00 AM **Anna Hoai Pham, Joseph Phan Pham**
By: The Family

9:00 AM **The Deceased Members of the Ragaini and Morin Families**
By: Brad and Peg Ragaini

11:00 AM **Nora Trainor; 4th Anniversary**
By: The Family

Mon., November 9

9:00 AM **Roland Bazin; 1st Anniversary**
By: Robert and Donna Gazaille

Tue., November 10

7:00 AM **Rev. Daniel R. Mulcahy, Jr.; 41st Anniversary of his Ordination**
By: A Friend

Wed., November 11

7:00 AM **Diane Dion**
By: Nancy Tabor

Thu., November 12

9:00 AM **The Deceased Members of the Richard Family**
By: Sr. Jeanne Richard

Sat., November 14

4:00 PM **Anna Morkunas; Birthday Remembrance**
By: Her Sons

Sun., November 15

7:00 AM **Timothy Guertin; 1st Anniversary**
By: The Family

9:00 AM **Roger Bourdeau; Birthday Remembrance**
By: His Wife, Aline Bourdeau

11:00 AM **Jon LaRose; 32nd Anniversary**
By: The LaRose Family

O God, you are my God—it is you I seek!
For you my body yearns; for you my soul thirsts,
In a land parched, lifeless, and without water.
I look to you in the sanctuary to see your power and glory.
For your love is better than life; my lips shall ever praise you!
——Psalm 63:2-4——

Saturday, Nov. 14, 4:00 PM at St. Brigid

AS: H Prue, T. Yaz
L: J. Hanratty
EM: P. Michalak, K. Buron

Sunday, Nov. 15, 7:00 AM at St. Brigid

AS: J. Mazeika
L: J. Mazeika
EM: M. & B. Blunt

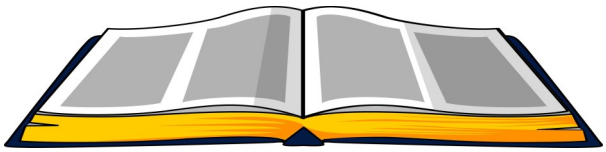
Sunday, Nov. 15, 9:00 AM at Assumption

AS: A. Seaman, A. Weeks
L: C. Piorkowski
EM: A. Bourdeau, L. Flagg

Sunday, Nov. 15, 11:00 AM at St. Brigid

AS: T. & F. Jakubiak
L: G. Borus
EM: J. & J. Geneva

Scripture for the week of November 8, 2020



8	SUN	Wis 6:12-16/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13
9	Mon	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
10	Tue	Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Lk 17:7-10
11	Wed	Ti 3:1-7/Lk 17:11-19
12	Thu	Phlm 7-20/Lk 17:20-25
13	Fri	2 Jn 4-9/Lk 17:26-37
14	Sat	3 Jn 5-8/Lk 18:1-8
15	SUN	Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

Welcome to Our Parish Family!

The Catholic Parishes of Millbury recently welcomed

Seamus George Mosley

to the Church through the waters of baptism.

In Loving Memory

John & Julia Anger
Lee Aubin
Maryann Auger
Jeanne Augustine
Larry F. Army
Gregory Barlay
Albina Bartkus
Edward Bartkus
Arthur G. Boucher
Natalie Bourdeau
Patricia Bourdeau
Sylvio E. Bourdeau
F. Joseph and Mary Brady
Joseph & Rose Cataldo
Frank Cammuso
Philip Chabot, Sr.
Rita Cogliandro
Albert and Helen Collette
Pat and Tiff Correia
Donna "Gain" Cournoyer
Karen A. Courville
Roland O. Couture
Arthur "Archie" Cronin
Gerald & Peggy Croteau
George A. D'Auteuil, Jr.
George A. D'Auteuil, Sr.
Kathleen M. DeCillis
Raymond DeRouin
Armand Desorcy
Diane Dion
Joseph Dunn
Timothy P. Eckland
Jonathan Favreau
Lois M. Fisher
Gabrielle G. Gaboriault
Joe & Jean Gagliardi
William Gain, Jr.
Bernice Gaudere
Reggie Gauthier
Ruth Gonsorcik
Daniel Guadagnoli
John & Irene Guyan
Robert James (Sam) Guyan
Betty A. Hamilton
Derek Hamilton
Patricia Hamilton
Robert J. Hamilton
Matthew Hartline
John Huchowski
Paul J. Jandron
Joanne Juskavitch
Joseph V. Kane
Claire Kobel
Richard Kroll
Michael P. Krumsiek
Robert P. LaCrosse, Sr.
Lillian Langevin
Tan Le
Noe R. LeBeau, Sr.
Edward L. Lemoine
Kevin Lemoine
Rita Lemoine
Lorraine Letendre
Mark Lizotte
William and Irene Louis
Leo & Jane Metivier
Kenneth Michalak
Mary B. Mrozinski
Lorraine Mooney
Ann Mulcahy
Daniel R. Mulcahy, Sr.
Evelyn Noonan
Joseph Noonan
Albert Nikosey
Charles F. O'Connor, Jr.
John P. & Bridget O'Malley
Virginia Richnick
Arlene Riedle
Stephen Rodwill
Elaine Roy
Darlene Russell
Dorothy Russell
Marshall Russell
Michael W. Russell
William Russell
Albert & June Russo
Bob & Rita Shea
Gino Silveri
Lucien Sirard
Maureen L. Stacy
C. Richard Stockhaus
Joseph F. Stockwell
James Tabor
Neal R. Thomas
Connor Tronerud
Chester Urban
Robert E. Vaillancourt
Nancy Vaillancourt
Lucille Vecchione
William T. Walsh
Margaret Wendt
Dolores White
Ronald Woodward
Duane & Dolores Wunn
Frank J. Yaz

May They Rest in Peace

Would you like to remember a loved one in our Remembrance section? The cost of enrollment will be a $50 donation for the year. Please contact the office (508) 865-6624 to enroll your loved one(s).

Youth & Family Faith Formation

Faith Formation Grades 2-10 COVID Update

We are pleased to announce the opening of our Faith Formation program for the 2020-21 year. Classes will begin in November as we hope the delayed start provides a little extra "breathing room" for families to acclimate to the new school learning models.

Registration is now CLOSED as of October 25th. Our plan is for an average of two, in-person, 55-75 minute sessions per grade each month. Of course, given COVID, this is a very fluid plan and will be adjusted if and when new guidelines come about. Generally speaking, the schedule will have Grades 2-4 meeting Sunday mornings, Grades 5 & 6 on Monday evenings, and 7-10 on Sunday evenings in separate parish halls. We look forward to seeing you all soon!!

Peace & God bless you and your families!

Faith Formation Upcoming In-Person Class Schedule

Grade 2	November 15 10:00 - 10:55 AM
Grades 3 & 4	November 8 10:00 - 10:55 AM
Grades 5 & 6	November 16 6:30 - 7:30 PM
Grades 7 & 8	November 22 7:00 - 8:15 PM
Grade 9 & 10	November 15 7:00 - 8:15 PM

Thanksgiving and Advent Season At Home Faith Formation and Projects

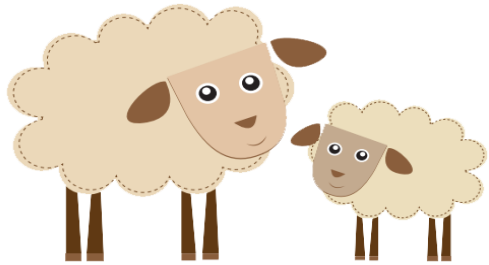
Our Faith Formation Program will be offering, at-home lesson materials, prayer services, seasonal activities, and hands-on projects for our classes throughout our program and for ALL members of our family of faith.

For Thanksgiving and the Season of Advent, packets will include:

- *Teachings about the seasons*
- *Scripture Readings*
- *Prayers and Blessings*
- *A four-week Advent Wreath Lighting Service*
- *"Thanksgiving Tree or Cross of Thanks" Activity which you may share for display in our Churches the weekend before Thanksgiving or at our Thanksgiving Eve Service*

Materials will be sent home at class sessions on November 8 and 15.

If you wish to participate, simply request materials by calling the Parish Office at 508-865-6624 or email Deborah at deborah.blicharz@stbrigidparish.org



Little Lambs

We would like to offer our Little Lambs Children's Liturgy program at the 9:00 AM Sunday Mass beginning the first Sunday of Advent, which this year is November 29th.

To do this, and fulfill COVID-19 safety standards, we need to carefully manage the number of children participating in the program. This means that parents must complete a registration form for their child/children.

If you would like to register for the Little Lambs program, please email Deborah Blicharz at Deborah.blicharz@stbrigidparish.org or via phone at 508-865-6624 x1005 to request a form. Forms are also available at the parish office Monday - Thursday, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM.

Ministries

Stairway to Heaven

We will once again display our Stairway to Heaven at both churches during the month of November. Members of our community are invited to bring photos of deceased family members or friends. Place your framed or unframed photos on the display that will grace our Sanctuary at both churches. We ask that you label the back with *your* name and phone number as all photographs will be returned at the end of the month.

If you are not attending Mass due to COVID or for other health reasons and would like a photo placed on the display, you are invited to contact Cathy Piorkowski by phone at 860-794-5586. Cathy will arrange a pickup time and will return them to you at the end of the month. Thank you Cathy!

Care for Creation Corner

The Book of Genesis tells us about God's creative acts and tells us that when God looked at all of creation, God proclaimed "that it was good - very good." In Genesis we also learned of God's expectation for us to cultivate, care for, and protect the earth, one another, and all of God's creatures!

Our communities of faith - through prayer and opportunities to reflect upon, enjoy or act on behalf of the Earth - will celebrate the Season of Creation.

What You Can Do!

1.5 million barrels of oil are used each year in America just to make plastic water bottles! Drink tap water from a refillable water bottle. Not only is it better for the environment, but it's also often safer because it has to meet stricter regulations than the bottling industry.

More information to come in future bulletins and on our website. If you have questions or would like more info, please contact Deborah Blicharz at Deborah.Blicharz@stbrigidparish.org or 508-865-6624 Ext 1005.

Giving Tree Program 2020

Our annual Giving Tree Program begins November 28 and 29, 2020. We expect, due to the impact of the Coronavirus pandemic, that requests for support from our Giving Tree will be greater than in past years.
This year we will support the following programs:

Urban Missionaries (both Gift Tags and Virtual Program)
Saint Vincent de Paul – (Gift Tags)
Bethany House (Gift Tags – $25 minimum Gift Cards)
Pernet Family Services (Gift Tags – $25 minimum Gift Cards)
Why Me? Sherry's House (Gift Tags – $25 minimum Gift Cards)

Our goal is to be able to fulfill all requests, in a safe manner. This means we will have to change our customary approach to the Giving Tree.
Due to the risks of close contact around the Giving Tree and the taking and putting back of gift tags, ***for this year,*** gift tags will be available in zip lock bags and will be distributed randomly by staff members before and after Masses the weekend of November 28 and 29.

This Week

SATURDAY ~ NOVEMBER 7
No Events

SUNDAY ~ NOVEMBER 8
SLAA @ SBH 7:30 PM

MONDAY ~ NOVEMBER 9
AA @ SBH 7:00 PM
GA @ OLAH 8:00 PM

TUESDAY ~ NOVEMBER 10
OA @ SBH 6:30-8:00 PM

WEDNESDAY ~ NOVEMBER 11
Rosary Makers @ SBH 6:00 PM

THURSDAY ~ NOVEMBER 12
Rosary @ CPO 6:00 PM
Assumption School PTG @ OLAC 6:30 PM
Girl Scouts @ OLAH 6:00-8:00 PM

FRIDAY ~ NOVEMBER 13
No Events

SATURDAY ~ NOVEMBER 14
No Events

SUNDAY ~ NOVEMBER 15
SLAA @ SBH 7:30 PM

KEY TO LOCATIONS

SBC=St. Brigid Church
SBH=St. Brigid Hall
CPO=Catholic Parish Offices
OLAC=Assumption Church
OLAH=Assumption Hall
OLAS=Assumption School

Live Stream Mass Information

We will continue to live stream the 9:00 AM Sunday Mass weekly on Facebook Live until further notice. Visit www.facebook.com/catholicmillbury for the live link or to view later. Tune in to Millbury Public Access TV for rebroadcast of the Saturday 4:00 PM Vigil Mass which can be found at Charter Channel 194 and Verizon Channel 28. You can view the Mass Sundays at 9:00 AM, Mondays at 2:00 PM, Tuesdays at 6:00 PM and Fridays at 2:00 PM.

PRAY THE ROSARY

Every Thursday evening at 6:00 PM at the parish offices.
Led by Deacon Ron
All are welcome!

SAVE THE DATE: NOVEMBER 21 for CEMETERY BASKET MAKING

@ St. Brigid Church Hall
Signup Weekends:
NOVEMBER 7-8 and NOVEMBER 14-15.

Pick Greens @ Pearson's Dairy, Wind Floral Picks & Roll Pinecones in White Paint: NOVEMBER 11
Volunteer pickers wanted!
Email monica.hamilton@stbrigidparish.org to sign up.

Fill Baskets: NOVEMBER 21
Two sessions: 9:00-10:30 AM & 11:00 AM-12:30 PM. Participants are encouraged to bring their basket from last year for a discount! Cost is $15 if you need a new basket; $10 if you reuse your basket from last year! Fill out sign-up form below and return in collection basket with 'Cemetery Basket' written on the envelope… or mail to 59 Main St., Millbury MA on or before Nov. 15. Take home kits will also be available for purchase. Please bring your garden gloves and clippers!

November 21 9-10:30 AM
Name:_____
Phone # :_____
Email: _____
Do you have boxes from past years? Yes/No :_____
(Reusing box cost is $10 each; New box cost is $15 each)
How many boxes will you make?_____

November 21 11 AM-12:30 PM
Name: _____
Phone # :_____
Email: _____
Do you have boxes from past years? Yes/No :_____
(Reusing box cost is $10 each; New box cost is $15 each)
How many boxes will you make? _____

SANCTUARY CANDLES BURNING NOV. 7-NOV. 13

at Assumption Church
In Loving Memory of
Roland Bazin
Requested by: His Family

at St. Brigid Church
In Loving Memory of
Anna Hoai Pham
Joseph Phan Pham
Requested by: Their Family

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, in your unbounded *mercy* you have revealed
the beauty of your power through your constant forgiveness of our sins.
May the power of this *love* be in our hearts to bring your pardon and your kingdom to all we meet.

~ Roman Rite ~

Remember in Prayer this Week
Those who serve in our Military:

Marc Winchester **Emily Weagle**
Patrick Weeks **Denzel Parker**
Andrew Hafferty

Forms are available at each parish to add names to the Prayer List or call the rectory at 508-865-6624 with your request.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Diocese of Worcester
Catholic Parishes of Millbury
Phone: 774-262-5506

MONTHLY MEETINGS
Third Sunday - 10:00 AM
The Offices of the
Catholic Parishes of Millbury
New Members Welcome!

PARISH FOOD COLLECTION

Monthly: First Weekend
Food Bins are located in the Main Entrance of the Church

All food donations must be dropped off on food drive dates and placed in the large blue bins only, no exceptions. NO Perishables, NO Cleanouts.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Monthly: First Weekend - 12:15 PM
St. Brigid Church Hall

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS LIST

THE PANTRY IS IN NEED OF:
Oatmeal, Pancake Mix, Pancake Syrup,
Paper Goods, Snacks

Please No Perishable, Expired Dates, or Pet Food.

SENIOR CENTER NEWS

FALL FUNDRAISER!

Support your local Senior Center!

Saturday, November 14th from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM
"Grab and Go"
Choices are: Homemade Chicken Soup $3,
Hot Dog $2, Jar of Jam $5.
Raffle tickets are 12/$10.
Items can be sold separately.
"2020 SPECIAL" is all above plus
a free bag of chips for $20

We have raffles Including gift cards and prizes!
Tickets are 6 for $5

This is a drive-up event and masks are required.
Thank you!

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

Every Tuesday from 9:00 AM-10:00 AM
Held outside in front of the Millbury Senior Center under the awning. Masks are required along with social distancing!

GRAB N GO MEALS

Lunch meals are available to be picked up daily at the front door at 11:30 AM. The menu is available on www.townofmillbury.org or the Millbury Senior Center Facebook page. A 48 hour reservation is required.
For information or reservations
call us at 508-865-9154

EXERCISE IN THE GARDEN

The center is closed at this time, but all are welcome to continue light exercise in the garden Mondays and Fridays 9:30-10:15 AM. Weather permitting & social distancing is a must!

Assumption School
Millbury, MA
A legacy of learning...a history with heart

Assumption School
17 Grove Street, Millbury, MA

Jogathon 2020

On Friday, October 23rd, Assumption School held its 33rd Annual Jogathon. Due to COVID-19, we had to do things a little different to keep everyone safe. It turned out to be a great day and was enjoyed by everyone.

Ye Olde Assumption School Christmas Shoppe

You are invited to visit our Christmas Shoppe where you can do your Christmas shopping in a safe and efficient fashion AND support the strong Academic, Social and Spiritual Education that defines Assumption School.

From the Amazon Smile Program, to local retail and business partners, to our Calendar Raffle, or donations in the name of your child or grandchild, you will have many opportunities to have your giving make a meaningful impact. Full details will be in next week's bulletin and on the school's website.

WATCH THIS SPACE!

flocknote

Flocknote is our parish communication tool we have to help keep parishioners informed and up-to-date on parish life, announcements, weather cancelations, etc. It is especially useful now to learn about how COVID-19 closings and reopenings are adjusting our parish scheduled activities. You can receive text message and/or email notifications. Visit our Flocknote page to sign up:

millburycatholic.flocknote.com

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious, or lay person working for the Church, and you need a place to talk about your feelings of betrayal or hurt by the Church, call Judith Audette
Office for Healing and Prevention, (508) 929-4363.
A 24-hour-a-day confidential voicemail is available.

COVID-19

HOW TO KEEP SAFE AT THANKSGIVING

FROM THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION

Thanksgiving is a time when many families travel long distances to celebrate together. Travel increases the chance of getting and spreading the virus that causes COVID-19. **Staying home is the best way to protect yourself and others.** If you must travel, be informed of the risks involved.

Lower risk activities

- Having a small dinner **with only people who live in your household**
- Preparing traditional family recipes for family and neighbors, especially those at higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19, and delivering them in a way that doesn't involve contact with others
- Having a virtual dinner and sharing recipes with friends and family
- Shopping online rather than in person on the day after Thanksgiving or the next Monday
- Watching sports events, parades, and movies from home

Moderate risk activities

- Having a small outdoor dinner with family and friends who live in your community. Lower your risk by following CDC's recommendations on hosting gatherings or cookouts
- Visiting pumpkin patches or orchards where people use hand sanitizer before touching pumpkins or picking apples, wearing masks is encouraged or enforced, and people are able to maintain social distancing
- Attending a small outdoor sports events with safety precautions in place

High risk activities

Avoid these higher risk activities to help prevent the spread of the virus

- Going shopping in crowded stores just before, on, or after Thanksgiving
- Participating or being a spectator at a crowded race
- Attending crowded parades
- Using alcohol or drugs, which can cloud judgement and increase risky behaviors
- Attending large indoor gatherings with people from outside of your household